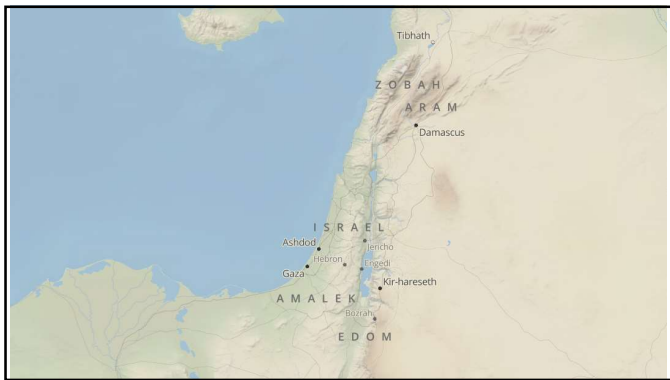




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- Military action
- Diplomacy
- Planning for the Future
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- Military action
 - Defeated and subdued the Philistines 8:1
 - Defeated and subjected Moab 8:2
 - Defeated Hadadezer, king of Zobah 8:3-4
 - Defeated the Syrians who came to Hadadezer's aid, occupied their territory and subjected them. 8:5-8

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- Military action
 - Defeated Edom, occupied their territory and subjected them. 8:13-14
 - Defeated the Ammonites and the confederation of Syrians. 10: 6-14
 - Defeated a regrouped Syrian force so that they made peace with David and the Syrian lost their courage to help the Ammonites. 10:15-19

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- Diplomacy
 - As seen in King Toi sending his son to David with blessings and gifts, David accepted overtures of peace when possible. 8:9-10
 - David's attempt at diplomacy with the new king of Ammon was shamefully rebuffed and ended in disaster for the Ammonites. 10:1-5

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- Planning for the Future
 - David took the gold, silver, and bronze given as gifts and recovered as spoils of his conquests and dedicated them to the LORD. 8:11-12
 - Solomon would use these materials in the construction of and equipment for the temple. 1 Chronicles 18:8

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- Organization 8:15-18
 - An effective and fair administration
 - Joab-commander of the army
 - Jehoshaphat-recorder
 - Zadok and Ahimelech-priests
 - Zadok ministered before the tabernacle of the LORD at Gibeon. 1 Chronicles 16:39
 - Seraiah-secretary, scribe with duties of record keeping
 - Benaiah-commander of the private forces
 - David's sons-chief officials in service to the king

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- Fulfilling a commitment 9:1-13
 - David had entered into a covenant with Jonathan that David would not cut off his steadfast love for Jonathan's house forever. 1 Samuel 20-14-17; 42
 - David made an oath to Saul that he would not cut off his offspring. 1 Samuel 24:20-22

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- Fulfilling a commitment 9:1-13
 - David brought Mephibosheth, the crippled son of Jonathan, into his home.
 - He further restored all the land that belonged to Saul's family and put Ziba, Saul's servant, and his household in charge of the estate.

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Lessons

- Always do what you can especially in times when you cannot do all that you would like.
- Keep your word even when you could easily avoid it.
- Embrace peace when possible.
- Be discerning when listening to the counsel of others.
- People are blessed when rulers govern in righteousness.
- Wars will persist as long as there are sinful people.

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